

**Abstract**

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**Keywords:** Asbestos, Coronary artery disease, Risk factors

**Introduction**

Asbestos is a naturally occurring mineral fiber that has been used in many different products since the early 1900s. It was once widely used in construction materials, such as insulation, floor tiles, and ceiling tiles. Asbestos was also used in automotive parts, such as brake pads and brakes. In recent years, the use of asbestos has declined significantly due to concerns about its health effects. However, it remains a major environmental health problem because of the large amount of asbestos that has already been released into the environment.

Exposure to asbestos can lead to a variety of health problems, including lung cancer, mesothelioma, and asbestosis. Asbestosis is a chronic lung disease that causes scarring of the lung tissue, which can lead to difficulty breathing and coughing. Mesothelioma is a type of cancer that affects the lining of the lungs and other organs. Lung cancer is one of the leading causes of death in the United States, and asbestos is considered to be one of the most important risk factors for developing this disease.

In addition to the direct health effects of asbestos, there are also indirect effects. For example, people who have been exposed to asbestos may experience psychological stress and anxiety. They may also face difficulties in finding employment or housing because of their exposure history. These indirect effects can have a significant impact on the quality of life of affected individuals.

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